

A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
THE CITY OF SODDY-DAISY, TENNESSEE, WAS HELD
ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 15, 2009 AT 7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:
MAYOR SHIPLEY
VICE-MAYOR PRIVETT
COMMISSIONER ADAMS
COMMISSIONER HARMON
COMMISSIONER SKILES
CITY MANAGER CAGLE
CITY ATTORNEY ELLIOTT
CITY RECORDER BURRIS

Mayor Shipley recognized Andrew James Gennett who gave the invocation and lead the pledge to the flag. Mayor Shipley presented Andrew with a Certificate of Achievement on his obtaining the rank of Eagle Scout.

Mayor Shipley made another presentation of a Certificate of Achievement and Appreciation to Dr. Patti Skates who was recently chosen as the winner of the National Career Academy Coalition Exemplary Educator of the Year. He further recognized Dr. Skates for her many years of dedicated service to the community as a previous employee, as a member of the volunteer fire department and as a past member of the Board of Commissioners.

The minutes of the meeting held December 18, 2008 were approved as presented.

Citizens Participation:

Cadet Ashley DeMary, a corporal in the Soddy-Daisy High School ROTC, asked for permission for the ROTC to place boxes in the municipal building and fire halls for the collection of nonperishable food items to be donated to the local food banks. It was the consensus of the Board to grant this request.

Margaret Chastain, 206 Northern Trails Drive, complimented and gave thanks to the police and fire departments. She said citizens often are quick to condemn them but not quick enough to praise them. She asked that the Board do their job as legislators and allow each one in all departments to do their job.

Old Business:

2008-2009 ORDINANCE NO. 5
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SODDY-DAISY, TENNESSEE,
CREATING A NEW SECTION 3-206 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE
RELATING TO THE EMPLOYMENT OF COLLECTION AGENCIES
TO COLLECT MUNICIPAL COURT FINES AND COSTS.
PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND AND FINAL READING.

City Manager Cagle explained that the City was in the process of finding a collection agency to collect past due fines when she found that an Ordinance must be passed to allow the use of a collection agency and a Resolution passed to enter into a contract with the company. She said most collection agencies charge a percentage of the fine but that there is a provision of TCA that allows a company to add a fee onto the fine. There is one company in Tennessee that uses the fee. During the public hearing there were no comments and/or

questions from those present.

1st - Commissioner Adams
2nd - Commissioner Skiles
Ayes - Unanimous

New Business:

2008-2009 RESOLUTION NO. 2
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SODDY-DAISY, TENNESSEE,
TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH SOLUTIA HEALTHCARE, INC.
FOR THE COLLECTION OF MUNICIPAL COURT FINES.

City Manager Cagle noted that bids were taken for this service with two bids received. Solutia is a company that is located in Tennessee that adds a fee onto the fine, allowing the City to collect the full amount due. The other bid was a fee of 33 % or 28% based on the age of the fine. She recommended that Solutia be awarded the contract effective in 15 days as required by the passage of the previous Ordinance. Vice-Mayor Privett questioned the contract length. City Manager Cagle stated the contract would be for one year from the date of signing.

1st - Vice-Mayor Privett
2nd - Commissioner Harmon
Ayes - Unanimous

City Manager Cagle presented several invoices incurred due to road work underway and requested payment approval. The first was from True Line Coring in the amount of \$3,867. A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Privett and seconded by Commissioner Adams to approve and the ayes were unanimous. The second was two invoices from P & S Concrete in the amount of \$14,380. Commissioner Adams asked if this was a final bill. City Manager Cagle said it was not. A motion was made by Commissioner Harmon to approve payment. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Adams and the ayes were unanimous. The third invoice was from Rogers Group in the amount of \$6,006.71. Commissioner Harmon asked the per ton price and City Manager Cagle stated it was \$13.65. A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Privett to approve payment. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Adams and the ayes were unanimous for payment approval.

City Manager Cagle said at the last meeting approval was given in the amount of \$3,800 for brush grinding. She said this was an unbudgeted item and requested that payment be made from the reserve for authorized expense line item. It was noted that the grinding was complete. A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Privett and seconded by Commissioner Skiles to approve this request and the motion carried unanimously.

City Manager Cagle presented a work request from Rush Trucking for repairs needed based on inspection of fire equipment. Fire Chief Stulce was present to answer questions concerning the repairs. The cost of the repairs was given at \$9,966.86 which is a budgeted item. Fire Chief Stulce said that the person doing the maintenance work has worked for different companies, but has done the maintenance on the City's fire equipment for a number of years. A motion was made by Commissioner Adams to approve the repair work.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Harmon and the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Adams stated that a revenue comparison was included in the packets. He noted that over the past seven months the local sales tax revenue was up about \$23,000 but that the state shared sales tax was down some \$20,000. He also noted that property tax collections were higher for the 7 months than the previous year.

Mayor Shipley asked that the mulch generated by the brush grinding be made available to the citizens as soon as possible. Vice-Mayor Privett asked if there were any guidelines as to who can get mulch, asking if it would be available to landscapers. He suggested that it be used for residences and not for profit. Mayor Shipley agreed saying a sign should be placed denoting that it must be loaded by shovel. City Manager Cagle said some of the material is not very good mulch and that she had been asked by an individual who lives outside the City if they could use a loader to get some unwanted material to fill in a low spot. Commissioner Harmon said what couldn't be used for landscaping would make a great base for backing trucks on, recommending this instead. Mayor Shipley agreed.

ADJOURNMENT 7:26 P.M.

RECORDER SARA BURRIS